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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Honorable Sir:

In response to the Office action dated April 20, 2006, Applicants submit the following amendment and response. Accompanying this response is a Petition for a one-month Extension of Time, thereby extending the time to reply from July 20, 2006 to August 21, 2006 (August 20, 2006 is a Sunday). Reconsideration is respectfully considered.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.